

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please add the following new sub heading and paragraph immediately after the title, on page 1, line 1:

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application claims priority to the U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/331,331 (Attorney Docket No. YHOOP001+) entitled "INSTANT MESSAGING ENVIRONMENTS" filed July 6, 2001, which is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes.

This application is a continuation in part of co-pending U.S. Patent Application No. 09/930,878 (Attorney Docket No. YHOOP001) entitled "INSTANT MESSAGING ENVIRONMENTS" filed August 15, 2001, which is incorporated herein by reference for all purposes.